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IN RE APPLICATION. OF: : GROUP UNIT: 2172  
YUICHIRO DEGUCHI, ET AL. :  
SERIAL NO.: 09/695,636 : EXAMINER: HWANG, J.  
FILED: OCTOBER 24, 2000 :  
FOR: SEARCHING SYSTEM, SEARCHING :  
UNIT, SEARCHING METHOD,...

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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SIR:

In response to the communication dated April 22, 2003, and further in response to the Restriction Requirement therein, Applicants herein provisionally elect, without traverse, the invention of Group I (Claims 1-42) noted in the Requirement to be "drawn to a searching system for searching contents that were broadcast in a client/server environment, classified in class 707, subclass 10."

In view of this provisional election without traverse, an early and favorable examination of elected Claims 1-16 & 39-43 of Group I is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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